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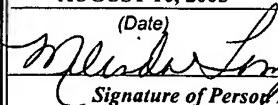
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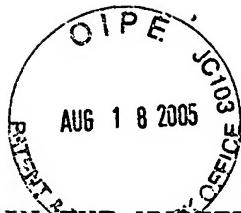
  
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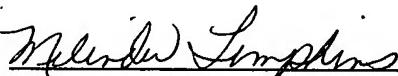
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STATUS INQUIRY

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The Filing Receipt and Notice to File Corrected Application  
Papers dated December 17, 2003 were received and the response filed  
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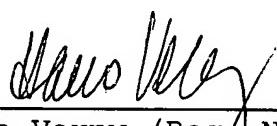
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filed and nearly two years since the last communication from the

Patent Office, we are unable to determine the status of the application. Please advise as to what action will be taken by the PTO or what corrective action is necessary on our part.

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Respectfully submitted,

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